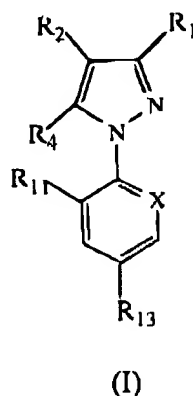


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IN THE CLAIMS

51. (3 times amended) A synergistic spot-on composition for long-lasting protection against fleas on mammals comprising synergistic amounts of at least one compound (A) of the formula,



in which:

R_1 is CN or methyl or a halogen atom;

R_2 is $S(O)_n R_3$ or 4, 5-dicyanoimidazol-2-yl or haloalkyl;

R_3 is alkyl or haloalkyl;

R_4 represents a hydrogen or halogen atom; or a radical $NR_5 R_6$, $S(O)_n R_7$, $C(O)R_7$,

$C(O)O-R_7$, alkyl, haloalkyl or OR_8 or a radical $-N=C(R_9)(R_{10})$;

R_5 and R_6 independently represent a hydrogen atom or an alkyl, haloalkyl,

$C(O)$ alkyl, alkoxycarbonyl or $S(O)_n CF_3$ radical; R_5 and R_6 may together form a divalent

alkylene radical which may be interrupted by one or two divalent hetero atoms [such as oxygen or sulphur];

R_7 represents an alkyl or haloalkyl radical;

R_8 represents an alkyl or haloalkyl radical or a hydrogen atom;

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R₁₀ represents a phenyl or heteroaryl group optionally substituted with one or more halogen atoms or groups such as OH, -O-alkyl, S-alkyl, cyano or alkyl;

R₁₁ and R₁₂ represent, independently of each other, a hydrogen or halogen atom, or optionally CN or NO₂;

R₁₃ represents a halogen atom or a haloalkyl, haloalkoxy, S(O)_qCF₃ or SF₅ group;

m, n, q and r represent, independently of each other, an integer equal to 0, 1 or 2;

X represents a trivalent nitrogen atom or a radical C-R₁₂, the other three valency positions of the carbon atom forming part of the aromatic ring;

with the proviso that when R₁ is methyl, then R₃ is haloalkyl, R₄ is NH₂, R₁₁ is Cl, R₁₃ is CF₃ and X is N; or R₂ is 4, 5-dicyanoimidazol-2-yl, R₄ is Cl, R₁₁ is Cl, R₁₃ is CF₃ and X is =C-Cl;

[and] a synergistic amount of at least one ovicidal compound (B), of insect growth regulator (IGR) type, in a fluid vehicle which is acceptable to the animal and suitable for local application to the skin; and at least one customary spot-on formulation adjuvant.

Cancel claim 14 and 15, without prejudice or disclaimer.

42-45-16. (twice amended) Composition according to claim 1 wherein the composition is applied to [characterized in that the fluid vehicle and the concentration of the compounds (A) and (B) are adapted to local application on] a zone with a surface area of less than 10 cm².

Claim 19, line 1, change "14" to read -- claim 1--.

Claim 23, line 1, change "14" to read -- claim 1 --.

70 Claim 27 (twice amended) A kit comprising, separately in the same packaging, at least one container containing a synergist amount of a compound (A) according to Claim 1 and at least one customary spot-on formulation adjuvant and at least one container containing a synergistic